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KIDSPACE PLAYGROUND CLOSED FOR RENOVATION PROJECT

The Kidspace playground at Reaves Park will be closed from Monday, March 24th through Monday, March 31st. City staff from the Parks and Recreation Department will be working in the playground area with large equipment and power tools beginning on Monday the 24th in preparation for the work to be done by community volunteers on Saturday the 29th and Sunday the 30th. "Safety for the kids is our primary concern while we prepare the playground site for the volunteer event", said Bill Ulch, Park Superintendent. "We will be using some heavy equipment to bring materials in during the week and want the area to be safe for everyone."

The Kidspace Re-generation volunteer event is scheduled to begin at Reaves Park at 8:00 am on Saturday, March 29th, and continue through Sunday, March 30th. Volunteers are needed to do sanding, minor carpentry work, apply waterproof sealing and replace safety surfacing. There will be food and drinks provided for all volunteers. Anyone interested in volunteering is urged to register by going to www.normanfun.com and clicking on the Kidspace Logo or by calling the Parks and Recreation Department at 366-5472.

The Kidspace playground was built 15 years ago by hundreds of community volunteers. Planning for that event took approximately a year to complete and the "playground build" was completed in five days. The playground opened on March 28, 1999.

For additional information, please call the Parks and Recreation office at 366-5472.

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